

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Prior art fails to disclose or teach revenue sharing between disparate wireline and wireless telecommunications carriers that includes a rollover matrix indicating a number of units of call usage that are available for rolling over to a subsequent usage period. While prior art does succeed in disclosing bundling of wireless and wireline accounts into one billing account it does not succeed in disclosing a revenue sharing between disparate wireless and wireline carriers. Additionally, while prior art discloses rollover minutes, it fails to disclose rolling over minutes between disparate wireless and wireline telecommunication carriers.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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